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For: DAMPER AND METHOD OF FABRICATING  
THE DAMPER

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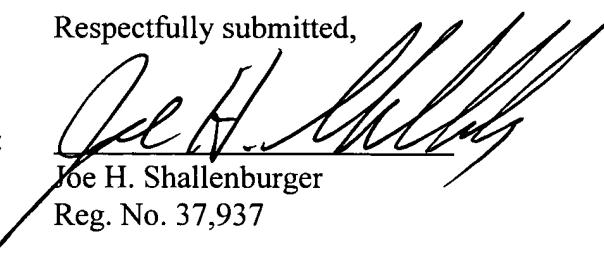
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Submitted herewith is an executed Supplemental Declaration in re the above-identified patent application.

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### DAMPER AND METHOD OF FABRICATING THE DAMPER (Title of the Invention)

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is attached hereto

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was filed on (MM/DD/YY) 11/13/01 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number 10/074,905 and was amended on (MM/DD/YY) 11/14/02 (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability of this application as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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